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Dear Dr. Hastings:

It came to me with somewhat of a shock that you are still expecting me to do the article "Rest" for the Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics. I had been going on the assumption you had released me from my work in connection with it, but of course if I have made a mistake in this I shall turn into the work and endeavour to let you have the article as soon as possible. If you were to have it by September would that suit you? Just at present I have so many things on hand in connection with the University that I find it extremely difficult to get any time for extra work and I am afraid that my studies have gone to pieces.

I should like to help you in doing the two articles that you offer me on "Reserve" and "Reticence", but at present I could not undertake them. It must be very difficult for you at this time to keep this immense undertaking on the rails. The attention of men in Britain is I suppose as here diverted strongly to the issues of the war.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.